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**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, preceding paragraph [0001], please delete the current title and heading “IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE --A DISTRIBUTOR MODULE FOR VALVE CLUSTERS AND A VALVE CLUSTER-- and insert the following:

-- DISTRIBUTOR MODULE FOR VALVE CLUSTERS AND A VALVE CLUSTER

This application is a National Phase application of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/010285, filed September 15, 2004, which claims priority based on German patent Application No. 10347590.7, filed October 14, 2003, which are incorporated herein by reference.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION--;

Page 1, preceding paragraph [0002], please insert the following new heading:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--;

Page 2, preceding paragraph [0003], please insert the following new heading:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--;

Page 9, please replace paragraph [0026] with the following paragraph:

[0026] The invention further contemplates a valve cluster ~~with the features of the independent claim 15.~~

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Page 9 preceding paragraph [0029] please insert the following new heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--; and

Page 10 preceding paragraph [0035] please insert the following new heading:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.